

Victor Zone Master Plan Before Council Tuesday

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COLLEGE GETS NEW BACKING

Top Industry Leaders Back Torrance Site

Torrance's outstanding industrial firms have added endorsements on the city's efforts to obtain location of a new four-year state college here, it was reported by the Chamber of Commerce yesterday. In a compilation of statements issued by executives of leading Torrance firms, the Chamber indicated the strong support Torrance could expect for its efforts to obtain approval of the local site.

Typical of the comments was one from executives of Magnavox Research Laboratories:

"Since this site is centrally located to the major aerospace industry . . . I am sure that this will enhance and promote the growth of the college."

Pacific Smelting Co. executives wrote, "With the wonderful access to major freeways leading to all parts of Southern California, we feel that the State of California should pick the City of Torrance for the location of a new South Bay College."

Others equally strong in their support included Mobil Oil Co., Garrett Corp., Douglas Aircraft and the General Technology Corp.

Truck Driver Dies Beside Vehicle Here

A 40 year old truck driver died Wednesday of an apparent heart attack at the northeast corner of Hawthorne Avenue and Lomita Boulevard.

Chester Alford Brown of Norwalk was pronounced dead on arrival at Little Company of Mary Hospital. Witnesses told police Brown was wiping off his truck when he sat down on the ground, then lay back moaning.

The victim's employer was called and in turn a call was made to the Torrance Fire Department for a resuscitator.

The body was taken to the Chapel of Memories at Pioneer and Imperial in Norwalk.

A motorist suffered minor injuries and went to a private physician Wednesday after a collision between a car and pickup truck.

Injured was Jane Robina Hurley, 41, of 22640 Nicolle Ave. Driver of the pickup was Gailen Luther Houser, 29, of Inglewood. The accident occurred about 9:30 a.m. at Western Avenue and 220th Street.

Shopping Center Slates Carolers

Bishop Montgomery High School Girls Glee Club will present a Christmas program Wednesday night at 7 on the main mall at the Del Amo Shopping Center.

Saturday morning at 11, the Redondo Beach Girl Scout Troop 59 will present a Christmas program at the same location.

Candy Cane Lane Glows Again for Christmas

Candy Cane Lane, a holiday custom of Toucan Street residents for the past four years, will be ready for public viewing today. Four-foot candy canes will line the streets and traditional and religious Christmas displays will be featured on the "snow" covered lane.

Santa Claus will be on hand from 7 to 8 p.m. today through Dec. 24. Last year Santa distributed an estimated 20,000 candy canes to visiting children.

Through the cooperation of local law enforcement agencies, there will be one way traffic on the street. Toucan Street is located at 190th and Del Amo, west of Hawthorne, and may be seen from Hawthorne Blvd.

Hearing Set for New Plan

A master plan for the development of the Victor Precinct, setting out specific areas for single family residential development, multiple dwelling units, commerce, and light industry, will be the subject of a public hearing Tuesday evening before the City Council.

Prepared by the city's Planning Commission after a series of public hearings and conferences, the plan calls for complete zoning of the 640-acre parcel west of Hawthorne Avenue between Torrance Boulevard and Del Amo. Also included will be provisions for alleyways to serve apartment developments.

OTHER important matters scheduled to come before the City Council Tuesday include a public hearing on a resolution of intention to annex territory referred to as "Lomita Flight Strip." The property on the city's southerly border is being annexed under the uninhabited territory provisions of state law.

A claim for damages submitted by the city of Los Angeles alleges that a Los Angeles vehicle was damaged when struck by a Torrance vehicle at the county dump, 26300 Crenshaw Blvd. Amount of the damages has not been determined, the claim states.



CRASH VICTIM . . . Ambulance attendants lift Norma Kay Dawson, 38, onto ambulance stretcher for dash to Little Company of Mary Hospital following crash at Hawthorne Ave. and Torrance Blvd. Friday morning. The victim, a

secretary at the Hollywood Turf Club, was admitted for observation of head injuries after her car collided with one driven by Robert Leonard L. Cochran, 18, of 268 Calle de Andalucia, an El Camino College student. (Herald Photo)

City's Junior Symphony To Give Concert Today



GETTING IN PRACTICE . . . Carol Maa, 15, a West High School sophomore, and Vance Stefan, 17, South High junior, get in practice for the Torrance Junior Symphony Orchestra Christmas concert today at 2 p.m. in the First Methodist Church, Carson and El Prado. (Herald Photo)

The Torrance Junior Symphony Orchestra will present a Christmas concert this afternoon in the Torrance First Methodist Church, corner of Carson and El Prado, at 2 p.m.

The Junior Symphony is composed of junior high and senior high age students from Torrance and the surrounding area and is sponsored by the Torrance Area Youth Bands.

Two outstanding young musicians will be featured as soloists. Dan Turner, violinist, will play the Vivaldi Violin Concerto in A minor and Lee Ruse, French horn, will perform the Mozart E-flat horn concerto. Orchestra numbers will include the Oriental Patrol by von Blon, Monti's familiar Csardas, Danse Macabre by Saint-Saens, the Russian Sailors' Dance from "The Red Poppy" by Gilere, and Leroy Anderson's "A Christmas Festival."

THE CONCERT will be conducted by James Van Dyck, director of the Youth Bands and William Heffernan who is a member of the Los Angeles Philharmonic. The program will begin at 2 p.m. and is free to the public.

Members of the orchestra include: Sharon Burkhart, Darlene Gray, Shirley Harshaw, Peter Liepman, Denis Logan, Carol Maa, Dale Shepardson, Rene Shore, Dan Turner, Eileen Bond, Paul Espinosa, Jimmy Nakai, Steven Pearlson, Steven Scharf, Janet Wilson, Robert Liepman, Vance Stefan, Robert Rashid Keith Bishart, and Dick Raal, strings.

Wind and percussion players are Mary Titus, Sue Page, Joan Goss, David Cassell, Jeff Ohlson, Rollan Miller, Mike (Continued on Page 2)

'Space Ship' Lands In School Playyard

A group of Torrance students at play stood spellbound Thursday as they watched an orange-colored parachute, and what looked to them like a shiny little space ship hovering overhead, float to land in the Carr Elementary School yard.

Kindergarten and lower grade children watched the "what is it?" thing from what they felt was a safe distance, just in case little green or purple men emerged from the gondola, but several of the more brave seventh grade boys managed to creep close enough to read, printed in English, "Radiosonde. Used to measure temperature, pressure and moisture of the air at various heights. Property of United States Weather Bureau."

SUDDENLY LEARNING that it wasn't a capsule or planet from space threatened to spell the end of interest for the children; however, Mrs. Guy Ausmus, seventh grade teacher, immediately saw an opportunity to capitalize on the "science in action" event.

Carr School Principal, William Leahy, contacted the weather bureau who thanked him and told him they had already collected the necessary data from it while it was in flight, so the school could keep it.

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A Penny for your Thoughts

"What do you consider the most outstanding news event of 1962?" This question was asked of five downtown Torrance merchants this week.

Bill Buyer:
"The outstanding news event had to be the Cuban crisis. I felt that the President was right and took the proper stand. This was good action by him. He had 100 per cent backing by the American people. It gave the people a feeling of unity."

Paul Smith:
"The death of Eleanor Roosevelt. The loss of her to the United States and the world was so great because of what she had done toward improving world relations. I think her death marked the end of an era in which she was champion of good will."

Merle Shoemaker:
"To my way of thinking the Cuban situation was. We finally got on our hind legs. We took the offensive. I think it was the outstanding happening. It took us away from the defensive and helped up psychologically against Russia in the cold war."

Norley Sirot:
"The Cuban crisis in my opinion could have led to world conflict if it wasn't handled properly. I think how it came out built up our prestige throughout the world because of how it was taken care of. If it would have led to a shooting war who knows what would have happened."

George W. Haskins:
"The Blockade of Cuba and the removal of arms, missiles bases, and bombers from that island. This was the most important by far. I think this because Castro is crazy enough to start a war whereas Khrushchev is not. This kept the cold war cool."

Author Speaks To Teachers

Leo Politi, California author and illustrator of children's books spoke to Torrance teachers during a series of literature institutes, Thursday, at Yukon Elementary School.

"Leo" was awarded the 1950 Caldecott Medal for his book "Song of the Swallows."



VITAL LESSON . . . Mrs. Gay Ausmus, seventh grade teacher at Carr Elementary School, explains to her class the workings of the "Radiosonde," a weather tracking mechanism that reaches heights of 17 miles, relaying technical data by means of a small transmitter back to the weather station.